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WORTHY EFFORT.

The effort of the Ancient Order of Hibernians is making to have Irish history taught in the public schools of this country is one which from every point of view is deserving of success and is commended generally by the press of the country. The influence Irish history has had upon English history and so indirectly upon the early history of this country is known to all scholars. Failure to make that influence known would result in imparting a very imperfect knowledge of the causes that have contributed to make the trend of English history what it has been for centuries. The interaction between the two countries needs to be known to have a thorough knowledge of the resultant effects. For purely historical reasons then, pupils in our schools who are supposed to learn American and English history should not be debarred from an acquaintance with Irish history.

DECADENT ENGLAND.

Dr. T. Miller Maguire, M. A., LL. D., the famous army tutor, author and orator, though holding the post of literary lecturer under the Government in the British army, is absolutely fearless in his utterances as to the conditions that exist in England and mark its decadence. In answer to a request for his view regarding the petticoat rule that prevails Dr. Maguire made the following startling answer:

"It is time the true truth was known," he wrote, "but I speak solely for the army, including all the best generals, who are not only friends of mine, but were my pupils. However, in all fairness, I can not particularize or furnish details. I am convinced that England is a country petticoated ridden beyond compare. Any petticoat does, but especially one supposed to rustle against finance or royalty. English society is putrid. Petticoats champion public schools, and boys are sent to these dens of decadence, though the fathers know well their worthlessness. I say that England is a decadent nation—rotten with petticoats, games and snobbery. What is called 'good form' is mere ignorant, base selfishness and moral cowardice. Army and navy officers are the only decent members of the richer English, but they are getting worse yearly, and no wonder, for they are grossly betrayed. Parents are not fools enough to trust their sons to the endless caprices of official impostors, like the army council; whimsical war ministers, who make three boulevards of the army in five years, and eads, who would lie in cheek for the smile of some patry, smirking society dame."

WHO ARE THE HOLY SOULS?

We live so much in the world and are so much distracted by its activities, says the Catholic Sun of Syracuse, that sometimes we are grateful for a reminder that there is a Life beyond and that we have duties toward others who are no longer in the flesh.

The Holy Souls that dwell in purgatory can not help themselves through prayer. They have finished with this life and now can only atone. That they can be helped by the prayers and alms of the faithful, and especially by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered in their behalf, has been defined by the Church; but it has also been declared that their prayers for themselves are of no avail, although it is in accord with both faith and reason to hold that their prayers for us are heard with special favor in Heaven.

Who are the Holy Souls and why are they called holy? They are the souls of our dead fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, relatives and friends, found worthy of Eternal Life, yet compelled to undergo purification for a time before they enter into it. Our Lord declared that nothing impure can enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, and very few there are who die without some stain of sin that must be erased. These souls are called holy because their ultimate salvation is assured, but they have not yet attained that perfection of purity which admits them among the Blessed. They are the friends of God, but they have not yet gone to God. How long they must wait is, of course, unknown, but some learned theologians assert that some of the saints, even, have had to undergo purification for the space of an hundred years or longer.

The Church has devoted the month of November to prayers for the faithful departed, and St. Catherine

of Siena has declared that prayers for these holy ones is the tenderest charity that the living can perform. What Christian soul can refuse to pray for a dead father, or neglect having the Holy Sacrifice offered for a dead mother? Today, if your father lived and were in prison, of if your mother lived and were in pain, would you not hasten to their assistance and endeavor to comfort them? Now, when you know that Love, like Faith and Hope, is able to pass beyond the grave and plead to God in behalf of your dead, surely you will not delay to offer the comfort of your alms and prayers.

The election is now over and people can turn their attention to other matters than politics. This time there has been no cry of fraud or force, and therefore the victors and vanquished entertain no hard feelings. Let all unite to make secure for the rest of the year the prosperity that has blessed the city and State, and thus they will enjoy peace of spirit and mind.

There is no decrease in the number of murders and robberies occurring in Louisville, which of late have reached alarming proportions. There is something lacking somewhere and prompt action should be taken by the city authorities to make more secure life and property. It may be there are not enough policemen, and if such be the case the number should be increased at once.

One of the most remarkable happenings in the election this week was the elevation of James H. Higgins, the "boy" Mayor of Rhode Island, to the Governorship of Rhode Island. As Mayor he has made a splendid record, which he has promised to duplicate in the higher office. Jim is a Democrat, and was the only one on that ticket that was elected.

The election in the city Tuesday proved conclusively that the Democrats of Louisville can not be controlled by any one man and that their vote can not be switched from one candidate to another at the fancy or pleasure of that one man. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Commodore Barry's statue will stand in Independence square in Philadelphia, near the hall in which the Declaration was signed—the most fitting place in all the world for a monument to the "Father of the American Navy."

The issue of the New York Irish World last week was a great one. It was, indeed, an encyclopedia as to the Irish of the metropolis and reflects great credit upon editors and managers.

Bernard Shaw's attack on the ten commandments will not gain him much notoriety, for the reason that sensible people will pay but little attention to his grumbings.

This is the month of the souls in purgatory, and in your charity pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins.

PLEASING READING.

William M. Fogarty, of Indianapolis, ex-Supreme President of the Young Men's Institute, whose poetical effusions during the past few years have pleased many, has just issued a neat little volume containing his writings, entitled "Giggle Time and Others." Mr. Fogarty's poetry possesses a rhythm that is indeed pleasing and a sentiment and pathos of the highest order. "An Irish Heart" is one of the sweetest bits of verse ever written, and "The Engineer's Wife" is as meritorious as anything from the pen of our most noted writers. The little book is one of great merit and worthy a place on any table or in any library. It is with pleasure that it is commended to our readers, who could make no better selection for a holiday gift.

MACKIN'S BANQUET.

The committee arranging for the complimentary banquet to be given the contestants, officers, festival committee and others by Mackin Council have selected the Galt House and Wednesday evening, November 21, for the event, and all members will be invited to attend.

SOCIAL SESSION.

The meeting of Louisville Council, Knights of Columbus, next Wednesday evening will be strictly a social session and a large attendance is expected. The entertainment committee has arranged a pleasing programme and Chairman Thomas Tarpay promises a delightful evening for the members.

SOCIETY.

Miss Marie Barrie, of Lexington, is the guest of Mrs. George Kremer for two weeks.

Dr. Chas. Ritchard made a short visit this week to Rockport, Ind., his former home.

Carl A. Wellendorf will return the first of next week from a ten days' trip to New York City.

John Gorman, of Frankfort, arrived Sunday morning for a short visit with friends in this city.

Miss Florence Holczew has returned from an enjoyable visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ridge at Cloverport.

John P. Hanley, of Frankfort, was here for a few days this week visiting his mother, Mrs. P. M. Hanley.

Con Harding, a member of Mackin Council and well known in the West End, is ill and unable to leave his home.

John Lutkemeier, prominent in Frankfort business and social circles, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Miss Mary Feeney, who was the guest of Miss Essie Everin in Louisville, has returned to her home at Payne's Depot.

Miss Carrie Schmid was hostess to the Mistletoe Euchre Club, composed of the younger society set of South Louisville, at her home, Fourth and O streets, Wednesday evening.

Misses Agnes and Nonie Nevils will entertain the members of the Good Will Social Club next Thursday evening at their home, 2022 West Market street.

John Brislan, one of the most popular young men in Frankfort, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, continues to improve and is now reported able to sit up.

Edward Dwyer, the well known engineer, who was injured recently, is now out on crutches, and his many friends will be glad to hear that he will not be crippled in any way.

Charles H. Musgrove, the accomplished and versatile poet of the Evening Post editorial staff, left Thursday for West Baden, where he will rest and recuperate for the next ten days.

William F. Shea, a former well known resident of New Albany, for several years past engaged in railroad work at Birmingham, Ala., has been spending the past week with relatives at his old home.

The Portland Young Ladies' Euchre Club was entertained Monday evening at the home of Misses Anna and May Gilligan. Following the games there was an award of favors and an enjoyable social hour.

Miss Minnie Burkle, teacher in the Parkland school, who has been ill for the past two weeks at her home, 2540 West Main street, has almost entirely recovered, to the great relief of her friends and pupils.

Mrs. Martina Higgins, who was ill at the infirmary, was last week removed to the home of her mother, Mrs. Minnie Bosche, 322 Thirty-fourth street, and her friends will be glad to know that she has almost entirely recovered.

Much interest is being manifested in the marriage of Miss Belle Wakefield Perkins and J. Elma McCampbell, which takes place next Wednesday, as both have a host of friends throughout the city who wish for them a happy and prosperous married life.

The marriage of Thomas Knobloch and Miss Ida Patrick was solemnized Tuesday evening at the rectory of St. Augustine's church in Jeffersonville. Only relatives witnessed the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Father John O'Connell.

Michael J. Brennan's many friends will be pleased to learn that he has been a favorable change in his condition and that his speedy recovery is now looked for. His illness was for a time alarming and has confined him to his home on West Madison street for many weeks.

The Surprise Euchre Club will be entertained Wednesday afternoon and evening by Mrs. Charles N. Jacques at her home, 2422 St. Xavier street. This is one of the most successful society clubs in the West End, and it is safe to say that there will be some pleasant surprises for the guests.

The K. O. B. Club will give a matinee dance at Schriber's Hall on Thanksgiving day afternoon from 3 to 7 o'clock. A handsome prize will be awarded the person guessing what the initials of the club stand for. Misses Ida Fisher, Nannie Miller, Anastasia Giltane and Irene Braun are the committee in charge.

Miss Mary Murphy entertained the Harmonia Club at her home Friday evening and was voted a most charming hostess. Those present were Misses Bertha Stonestreet, Elizabeth Lammers, Katherine Haungs, Minnie Stonestreet, Mary Murphy, Margaret Murphy; Messrs. Will Taylor, Will Netherlands, Frank Mayer, Bernard McGinn, Dudley McCormick, Elmer Kinney and John Murphy.

The arrival of James Lehane in Jeffersonville will prove a desirable acquisition in Irish Catholic circles about the Falls Cities. Mr. Lehane is in the Government service and was stationed at Philadelphia, but lately arrived here from Kansas. He is now located in the Government Depot at Jeffersonville and has made numerous friends in that city. Mr. Lehane is a thorough Irishman and will be soon well known at their society gatherings.

Harry R. Swann announces the engagement of his sister, Miss Nell Swann, to Mr. John Kelly, of Philadelphia. The wedding will be celebrated at the ceremony Mr. Kelly and his family next month. Immediately

bride will leave for the City of Brotherly Love, where they will make their future home. Miss Swann is a popular young woman and is receiving many congratulations, but her departure will be regretted by her large circle of friends and acquaintances.

The following special from Detroit, received here Thursday night, contains news of a marriage that will be of interest throughout the city: "Dr. Charles C. Lucas, of Louisville, and Miss Caroline Halderman, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Halderman, of Detroit, were married this evening by the Rev. Charles Raffo, of Louisville. The groom was attended by Dr. Irvin Abell, of Louisville, and Dr. William Morley, of Ann Arbor, Mich. The ushers were Dr. J. A. O. Brennan, of Louisville, and Dr. Burton Corbush, of Grand Rapids. Among the guests from outside were Charles H. Johnson, of Louisville, and Mr. and Mrs. William Lucas, of Norfolk, Va. After an Eastern trip the bride pair will be at home at the Galt House in Louisville."

MARRIAGE STATISTICS.

Of every 1,000 females over fifteen years old 497 are unmarried in Ireland, 395 in England, and only forty-five in India, where child marriages are still in vogue.

IRISH IN LONDON.

The London County Council has just established evening classes for the teaching of the Irish language and literature in six of the public schools under its jurisdiction in that city. The schools are located in the most central parts and include Finsbury, Stepney and Islington.

DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION.

Of every 1,000 inhabitants of the globe 538 live in Asia, 242 in Europe, 111 in Africa, thirty-two in America, five in Oceania and the Polar regions, and only two in Australia. Asia contains more than one-half of the total population of the earth, and Europe nearly one-fourth.

ENJOYING VACATION.

Lieut. John Dalton, Sergeant William Wales and Patrolmen Thomas Nalty, Austin Nalty, John Carroll and Henry Bloemer, of the Louisville police force, have been off duty for the past ten days enjoying their annual vacation. Some went hunting and others visiting, but all were home to vote.

MAYSVILLE.

Through the efforts of Rev. Father Jones it is expected that work on the new St. Patrick's church at Maysville will begin early next spring. When completed the structure will cost about \$40,000. Father Jones has also greatly improved the cemetery there, which is now one of the most beautiful in that part of the State.

RICHMOND'S CATHEDRAL.

It is expected that the new Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Richmond, Va., will be formally opened on Thanksgiving day, and elaborate preparations for the event are being made. The Most Rev. Archbishop Falconio, the Papal Delegate, and Cardinal Gibbons will honor the occasion with their presence, besides other church dignitaries. Rev. James B. O'Reilly, for the past fifteen years pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, has been appointed rector of the new Cathedral.

TURBANS.

Turbans are always worn, and this season sees them in many shapes and styles. For traveling and general wear they are particularly appropriate on account of being quite close fitting. Furthermore they are decidedly becoming to the majority of women. Feather turbans are again shown as new and desirable, the prettiest being made of an entire bird, the wings of which form the crown and sides, with the head in front as the only ornamentation. Soft turbans, made of plaid materials to match wraps and gowns, are trimmed with quills or other stuff, upstanding garniture to give them a severe style, black being used almost exclusively.

ROSARY OF THE REGIMENT.

The hero of this true narrative was a young soldier of the infantry, who went by the name of the "Little Angel." It was whispered around the barracks that the Little Angel had a rosary. Some of those who had seen it said that "it was an enormous concern, long as the girdle of a Capuchin monk, and with beads the size of the colonel's plume." On one occasion, more than two hundred soldiers gathered around our young man, jesting and mocking him at the expense of his rosary.

"Let us see it, young fire-eater!" said one.

"He thinks he can hang the whole regiment with that chain of his," shouted another.

"You're wrong," said a third, "it's a new-fashioned necklace he wants to introduce."

So it continued. Now what do you think he did? Did he break out in explosive abuse as young men usually do? Or did he want the insult wiped out on the field of battle? He did neither.

He quietly drew the rosary from his pocket—an ordinary cheap rosary—which had seen much service in his keeping, and holding it up in both hands, said:

"There, now, you see my rosary! Would you like to measure it?"

Not a jeer was returned. One turned his head away; the rest looked at the sacred sign of our holy religion. Who knows what memories of home and mother, of the little village church, passed rapidly through the minds of those silent men? Only one voice was raised in protest.

"That was sincere, my boy; that was well done."

And the soldiers' mockery came to an end.

No one can have too much courage, courage displayed in the service of God and his church has a double value. It gains the esteem of heaven and man.

THE IRISH WORKINGMAN TO HIS WIFE.

Will you tell me, ashore, if the pleasant rain,
And the sweet, cool wind outside,
Can bring to your memory back again
The day when I made you my bride?
Long years have flown and the boys are grown,
The girls own a maiden's grace,
And I think of the day I claimed for my own
Your heart and your pretty face.

On our bridal morn a cloudy shade
Came blending through sunny glow,
As you gave me your hand, my own sweet maid,
In the day of the long ago;
Thy many long years the smiles and tears
Of life we have had our share.
But the clouds are gone and today,
"I loved one,
We must banish all thoughts of care.

'Tis true my arm is not so strong,
And my shoulders have drooped this while,
Yet what cheers me at work the whole day long—
'Tis your lovely face and your smile.
I can not forget since the day we met,
Ere your tresses of brown were gray,
How you shared my lot in this humble cot,
And turned sorrow's face away.

So take my poor working hand in thine,
As you did in the days gone by.
When the rose in your cheek was red as wine,
And the fresh young light in your eye,
As when first I made you my bride,
Nor Death will us part, for, my own sweetheart,
You rest with me side by side.

HINTS ON STYLE.

Plain colors, stripes, checks, are all shown among fashionable coat materials. Coat suits are to be greatly worn, and separate coats also will be quite correct.

For the girl who can purloin one of her lover's evening vests to be taken to a tailor or haberdasher and reproduced, there is no more attractive Christmas gift which she can make him than an embroidered vest.

Seldom has any season opened with such a variety of fashionable costumes for street wear as is offered for this autumn and winter. Short coats, coats of hip-length and long coats, all are correct, and fancy little coats, severe tailored models, all have equal vogue.

Indoor gowns of the simpler sort are made with every variety of blouse or shirtwaist, and preferably with skirts which just escape the ground. The longer skirts are reserved for gowns of more formal occasions, when they are combined with fancy waists of all sorts.

No material develops to better advantage for an afternoon frock than the elegant weaves of the fall season, that has the advantage of being good-looking and not expensive. The smartest women are wearing gowns of this stuff, the favored colors appearing to be cran-apple pink and chasseur blue.

Jet is being very extensively used, and embroidery with jet beads is much to be noted. Indeed in its lavish display there is to be found ample suggestion of the model of the last century, yet it is by no means confined to gowns or coats of that order. It is claimed that the original Worth was known to say that jet gave effects that were obtained by nothing else, and that never would he consent to let it fall into disuse.

The prevalence of the guimpe, both in gowns and odd blouses, makes itself apparent at every turn, and very charming are the results. Heavy lace, thin lace, lingerie materials, almost everything that can be utilized, therefore, is also used for the yokes and the little under-sleeves, and these are so arranged that the suggestion is that of an entire guimpe, while often, in reality, such is not the fact, the waist being all in one, although there are instances of waists that are of a skelton sort, and which are worn over entire under-bodies of white.

One of the daintiest things seen in making over, and which provides the economical with a use for material long wasted, is the converting of partly worn night gowns into the daintiest and finest of underpetticoats. As is well known, it is only the upper part of the gown which wears out, and that which is left has wearing qualities in it which are proved by experience to be well worth the making over. The length and goring of these usually comes right if they are cut off just below the front band, and the placket is set in the back, the only other necessary part of the process being the attachment of the belt.

TOWELS.

A nice way to finish home-made towels is to scallop the ends, and three inches above the scallops have a fancy drawn-work stripe. The monogram or initial is then embroidered, long narrow letters being the most effective. Buck, damask and a good weight bird's eye all can be done in this manner, and for much less than the cost of an ordinary towel you get a very good quality of any of these mentioned materials, all coming by the yard.

SOUND SLEEP.

The character of sleep is affected by many influences, both mental and physical. The person who, upon retiring for the night, falls to put away the cares of the day that is past, or borrows the thoughts of the morrow, is slow to reach the depths of sleep, and wakes but little refreshed. An overfilled stomach prevents sound sleep, but hunger should be relieved before retiring, and for this purpose there is nothing better than a glass of warm milk.

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